

WILLIAM STEVENS - 20.

Q. And if he did come back they would not hear anything about it?

A. No.

Q. You did keep it quiet for the sake of your family honor, you felt quite strongly about that?

A. Indeed I did.

Q. You felt that strong to keep any facts to yourself that might aid the authorities in finding out who at least the guilty parties are?

A. I don't quite understand you.

Q. Would you be restrained now by the anxiety over your sister's feeling of her honor or the honor of the family from telling us all you know?

A. I would certainly try to shield her all I could, possibly.

Q. In other words, if it was necessary to keep from us some facts, to shield her, you would do this?

A. Unless it was absolutely necessary for this case I would.

Q. I am quite willing to believe that. But suppose we thought it was quite necessary to know whether there was any friction between your sister and her husband, would you tell us the truth about that?

A. As far as I know, I never knew of any. In the first place of this discourse. I never saw a more loving couple.

Q. That statement isn't made for any ----- concerning your sister's welfare or honor?

A. No. I couldn't say a thing more. I never knew a more loving couple. I hope I have been very explicit.

Q. Do you know where the Philips family is now?

A. No.

Q. You know where De Russey's Lane is located?